

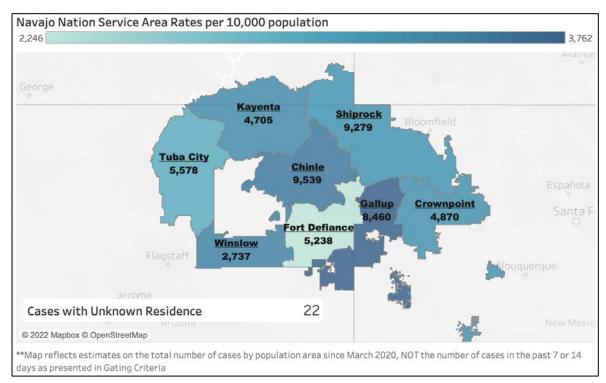
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232 new cases, 46,856 recoveries, and one death related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Wednesday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 232 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one recent death. The total number of deaths is 1,619. The report indicates that 46,856 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 477,992 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 50,428, including 126 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 9,539

Crownpoint Service Unit: 4,870Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,238

Gallup Service Unit: 8,460

Kayenta Service Unit: 4,705
Shiprock Service Unit: 9,279
Tuba City Service Unit: 5,578
Winslow Service Unit: 2,737

* 22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Wednesday, the state of Arizona reported 8,330 new cases, the state of Utah reported 3,609 cases, and New Mexico reported 2,611 cases.

"Our best defense against the Omicron variant is to get fully vaccinated, which includes a booster shot. Based on the data across the country and here on the Navajo Nation, the vaccines are highly-effective in pushing back on COVID-19 symptoms and reducing the chances of being hospitalized if you do get the virus. We have to remain diligent, keep taking precautions, and continue to pray for our frontline warriors and all of our people," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities on the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Please encourage our elders, your parents and grandparents, to be very cautious in public places and continue practicing the safety measures that our public health experts recommend. We are in this together and we must continue to support each other," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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